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Sir:

Your petitioner, Ausimont S.p.A., a company organized under the laws of Italy, located at Piazzetta Maurilio Bossi, 3, Milan, ITALY, represents that it is the assignee and owner of all rights, title and interests in and to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/995,673 filed November 29, 2001 for METHOD FOR REMOVING WATER FROM SURFACES, by way of an Assignment recorded on November 29, 2001, at Reel 012330, Frames 0596-0597.

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